Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives were distressed to learn of the recent death of John Thomas Grady, a remarkable individual who was an inspiration to all who knew and loved him; and

Whereas, John Grady was born to Walter and Martha "Queen" (Wilson) Grady on January 29, 1924, in Iberia, Missouri, where he was living on March 13, 2005, when God took him home to the love and beauty of His everlasting light; and

Whereas, John Grady will be greatly missed by his grieving family whose members include his wife of nearly sixty years, Eva Jo Jones Grady; three daughters and their husbands, Sandy Jo and Jim Teeple of Mountain Home, Arkansas, Sue and Jerry Hurt of Marysville, Indiana, and Sharon and Michael Czarnecki of Nevada; one brother and his wife, Bill and Rosemary Grady of Granite City, Illinois; one sister, Ruby Anderson of Granite City, Illinois; four grandchildren and their spouses, John Eric and Lainie Wade, Heather Jo and Jason Phillips, Louann and Jerry Hurt, II, and Kerry Hurt; four step-grandchildren, Vickie Thurston, Jill Ann Hall, Michael C. Czarnecki, and Patrick Czarnecki; four great-grandchildren; and four step great-grandchildren; and

Whereas, John Grady had also nurtured a very special relationship of love and devotion with other members of his family who preceded him in death, including his parents, six brothers, and one sister; and

Whereas, John Grady had compiled an impressive list of achievement that included being a World War II veteran of the United States Army, serving thirty-five years as an Adjutant General Publications Officer at Fort Leonard Wood, toiling as a barber, and being a member of the Iberia Masonic Lodge 410 AF and AM, the Iberia Order of the Eastern Star, and the Iberia United Methodist Church, where he served as a Sunday school Superintendent, Sunday school teacher, and Board Chairman, just to name a few; and

Whereas, John Grady had also enjoyed recognition as a Republican Committeeman who volunteered his time helping nursing home residents vote absentee, as President of the Miller County Senior Fund Board and the CMAA Senior Advisory Board, and as a former City Councilman and Iberia School District Board member:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-third General Assembly, join unanimously in paying final tribute to John Grady and in expressing to his family our deepest sympathy at this difficult time of tremendous personal loss; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for the loved ones of the late John Thomas Grady.

Offered by
Representative Rodney Schad
District No. 115
I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,
Ninety-third General Assembly, First Regular Session, do

certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House

Resolution No. 1303, adopted March 16, 2005.

Rod Jetton, Speaker